

## **1. What is the EIP Project?**

The EIP project is an Enterprise Impact Program Assessment of all Information Technology within the State of Iowa. The EIP Project is mandated by House File 534. For more information please click on the linked below:

<http://www.legis.state.ia.us/GA/80GA/Legislation/HF/00500/HF00534/Current.html>

## **2. Why are we doing this project?**

The State of Iowa, under the direction of Governor Vilsack, is focused on becoming more effective and efficient in the methods of doing business within the state's departments. The legislature has determined that one of the areas to review and define the impact of any possible changes which would be focused on making Information Technology (processes, technology and organizational) more effective to better enable the business of the departments as well as making Information Technology more efficient, therefore saving operating expenses.

## **3. Are other states doing this?**

Yes. Due to the current economic conditions, most states are looking at various forms of reducing cost by finding duplication of processes, spending, etc. Many states are centralizing Information Technology in some form, or looking at changes which will enhance the organization's ability to provide high quality services to the Departments and constituents of the state.

## **4. What is being looked at in Iowa?**

In Iowa the EIP assessment is looking at Information Technology processes, technology infrastructure and organizational elements. Specifically we want to understand where duplication exists, the cost associated with and changes and how any changes would impact the departments, constituents and organization.

## **5. How will this project affect me?**

This project is a study of different organizational structures for Information Technology in the Executive Branch of the State of Iowa. At this point, there is no direct affectation for any individuals.

## **6. How can I keep updated on the progress of this project?**

You can watch this web site for additional information and presentation which are being provided to the EIP Steering committee, the CIO Council and to DAS Management on a periodic basis.

## **7. Can I participate by providing any input to the project?**

You can participate by helping provide input on where you believe duplication of efforts might be regarding processes which are used to support the business of the state and/or duplicate spending of technology dollars. Any suggestions for improving the efficient utilization of technology on a department basis or statewide basis would be areas for input.

## **8. Who can I contact if I have more questions?**

First, contact your Department's management team, and your Department's CIO or IT focus. Secondly, Wes Hunsberger in DAS is the project coordinator for the State of Iowa. Lastly, periodically review the updates on this website and provide feedback to the email link for the project contact listed below.